Susanna Cuff

Below is a transcript of her manumission record from Goshen Monthly Meeting.

"Joseph Pratt sent a Deed of Manumission to this meeting which was read approved and left with the Clerk in order to be recorded as is requested & is as follows. [Illegible]

To all people to whom these presents shall come. I Joseph Pratt of the township of Edgmont in the County of Chester and providence of Pennsylvania Send Greeting Whereas A Certain Negro woman named Susanna otherwise called Susanna Cuff aged about twenty-two years has been under my care and in my service about twenty one years last past. Now know ye that for go in consideration that all man kind have an equal and just right to liberty I have released discharged and set free the said Susanna and do by these presents release discharge manumit and set at full liberty the said Susanna & for myself my heir my Executor Administrators and Assigns and all other persons Claiming under me or any of them Do quit all claim to the said Susanna which by the laws and customs of this province or any other government might have subjected her to slavery or deprived her of the full enjoyment of liberty.

In witness where of I have here unto set my hand and seal the twenty sixth day of the seventh month of the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy Five and desire this Deed of Manumission may be recorded in Goshen Monthly Meeting Book and the original kept by the said meeting for said Susanna's use.

Signed and Sealed in the presence of George Miller William Russell | Joseph Pratt"